(d) Government has not taken any policy decision on the issue of FDI in the pension sector.

Installation of ATMs in all banks

1209. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India has decided to install integrated ATM (Automated Teller Machine) system in all Nationalised Banks;

(b) if not, by when this decision will be implemented; and

(c) whether there is a provision for taking service charge from the consumers at the time of its use and, if so, at what rate?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir. ATMs are installed by commercial banks. RBI has been encouraging banks to setup ATMs. Keeping in view the advantages and cost benefits of sharing such resources, RBI has advised banks to operate ATMs on a sharing basis.

(c) RBI has since freed the service charges to be levied by banks on various services they offer. Accordingly, each bank decides charges as per its own policy for use of ATM.

Corruption cases against income-tax officials

1210. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints of corruption against the income tax officials are pending in the Income Tax Department;

(b) if so, the number of such complaints and the list of the officials, State-wise; and

(c) whether Government have formulated any scheme for taking action against them and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The requisite information is indicated in the Statement. (*See* below) However, the information in respect of Group 'A' officers is maintained region-wise by the four DITs(Vig.) and in respect of Group 'B', 'C' and 'D' officials, the same is maintained by the concerned Cadre Controlling Chief Commissioners of Income-tax and the same is not maintained State-wise. In so far as the list of officials is concerned, as the allegations contained in the complaints are at different stages of investigation/verification it would not be in the interest of either the Government or the individuals to reveal the names.

(c) After the verification of complaints of corruption, Departmental actions are taken under existing CCS(CCA) Rules, 1965. Cases which are of serious nature and involve complex issues, are referred to CBI for investigation. The department in consultation with CBI identifies officers and keeps a watch over their work and conduct. The department has also formulated an action plan for vigilance inspection of the work done by the officers against whom there are complaints of corruption.

Statement

LIST OF COMPLAINTS PENDING AS ON 01.12.2004

Group A

Western Region	:	75
North Zone	:	130
South Zone	:	34
East Zone	:	42

Sl. No. Name of the Charge	Complaints against Gr. 'B'	Complaints against Gr. 'C' & 'D'
1.CCIT, Hyderabad	Nil	1
2.CCIT, Kerala	Nil	Nil
3.CCIT, Chennai	3	Nil
4.CCIT, Bangalore	Nil	6
5.CCIT, Kolkata	10	8

Sl. No. Name of the Charge	Complaints against Gr. 'B'	Complaints against Gr. 'C' & 'D'
6.CCIT, Patna	5	3
7.CCIT, Orissa	2	29
8.CCIT, Guwahati	Nil	Nil
9.CCIT, Lucknow	12	63
10.CCIT, Bhopal	12	70
11.CCIT, Ahmedabad	4	3
12.CCIT, Mumbai	7	Nil
13.CCIT, Nagpur	1	1
14.CCIT, Pune	2	Nil
15.CCIT, Delhi	14	34
16.CCIT, NWR	5	20
17.CCIT, Jaipur	10	26
18.CCIT, Kanpur	11	124
TOTAL :	98	388

Note: The above figures do not include complaints in respect of which investigations have resulted in initiation of Disciplinary Proceedings. Similarly CBI trap cases are also not included.

Status of Scheduled Bank to Co-operative Banks in MP

†1211. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Co-operative banks in Madhya Pradesh granted status of Scheduled Bank, so far;

(b) the norms for granting the status of Scheduled Bank to any Co-opertive Bank;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.